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Babyland Parent And Child For Infants And Toddlers With AIDS

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A dedication ceremony was held October 4, 1988 for the first specialized day care center in New Jersey for babies and toddlers infected with the HIV virus.

New Community Corporation and one of its network components Babyland Nursery are establishing The Parent/Child Extension Center for the special medical, dietary and developmental needs of infants to three years old who have the AIDS virus.

Governor Thomas Kean; Newark Mayor Sharpe James; Sydney J. Olson, Assistant Secretary for Human Development Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and Drew E. Altman, Ph.D., NJ Commissioner of Human Services, joined Mary Smith, Founder and Executive Director of Babyland Nursery, at the dedication and planted a tree at the child care center to symbolize life and hope.

Governor Kean called AIDS a "national tragedy" and said "we know who the victims are — men and women and most tragically, as we all know, children. In New Jersey 160 of the victims suffering from this dread, cruel, disease are under the age of 13.

They are the innocents, the real innocents in our society." He went on to point out that children are very easy to forget and told the story of Julia Ward Howe and the time she was appealing to Charles Sumner who at the time of the Civil War was the most important Senator in the United States. Howe approached Sumner to help a person who was very, very much in need and Sumner was very busy that day and sort of rebuffed Howe and said "Julia, I've become so busy I can no longer concern myself with individuals." Howe replied "Charles that's quite remarkable. Even God hasn't reached that state."

Governor Kean commended the many government agencies and groups and medical resources which are still concerned with the suffering of children and are participating in this project, saying "All hands are on deck and ready to help in every way they can. And this Center will go beyond just the smallest AIDS victim; the Center will be aiding the victims of another tragedy also — that's the tragedy of poverty."

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Shopping Center Update!

Still Waiting For Tax Abatement

The City of Newark recently approved a \$300,000 grant for demolition on the shopping center site. NCC also will receive a \$1,530,000 UDAG grant which has been approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the construction

of the supermarket and shopping mall.

Our tax abatement application is still pending with the City of Newark, which is delaying commencement of construction.



Governor Thomas Kean and Newark Mayor Sharpe James receive some tree planting help at the Dedication Ceremony from two happy and healthy children. Hadiyah Singleton and Curtis Stone are from the regular Babyland II program located nearby.

Harmony House Site Plan Approved

On Tuesday, September 6, 1988 the Newark Planning Board approved the site plan for New Community Harmony House (see August 1988 Clarion), a 102 unit transitional housing facility for homeless families to be constructed on South Orange Avenue adjacent to the existing New Community Extended Care Facility. This project is a joint venture of Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. of Secaucus and New Community Corporation.

This unique public/private partnership has been assisted by the efforts

of state, county and municipal officials to identify resources to construct and operate the facility. It is envisioned that this would be a model facility that could be replicated throughout the State of New Jersey.

The 3 story building would encompass day care, medical services, job training, employment services, social services, counseling, benefit coordination etc.

If the rental income housing construction plan as proposed by Com-
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A sign of HOPE but one obstacle remains...the tax abatement!

—Solidarity And NCC—

For the past twenty years, New Community, a grass-roots development which virtually arose from the ashes of the Newark Riots of 1967 has been consistently in solidarity with the poor and the powerless, concerned for their dignity and rights.

NCC's clearly defined goal "to improve the quality of life of the people of Newark" has been translated into affordable housing (2300 units), secure neighborhoods, quality health and day care, and employment opportunities (over 700 jobs). NCC continues to diminish the national number of 33 million poor by recognizing and working on alleviating the problems of the poor in Newark, a city with 33% of its people living on or below the poverty level; and, contrary to the 4% unemployment statewide, the City of Newark suffers a 13% unemployment rate.

Housing has always been a particularly urgent issue for NCC. New Community is a strong advocate of fair housing laws. The Corporation consistently seeks tax abatement on its housing developments in order to make home ownership possible for those making a living wage. This kind of ownership would be an important step in supporting the struggles of families to live in dignity with freedom of choice. Bellemead Development Corporation has been actively involved in supporting housing for low and moderate income families by rehabilitating a 31-family brick building on Sussex Avenue and subsequently transferring ownership to New Community.

Contributions To New Community Corporation

If you would like to make a memorial gift or donation to New Community it would be most welcome.

People who would like to give to New Community but don't wish to give up the earning power at the present time can assign a contribution now, but defer payment until sometime in the future.

If you would like more information, please contact the Development Office at (201) 623-2800 ext. 206.

THE NEW COMMUNITY CLARION

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The number of homeless in New Jersey has risen sharply in the past few years. It is estimated that by 1990 there will be 40,000 homeless in the State of New Jersey. NCC is responding to the plight of these very vulnerable families by building a transitional residence for the homeless. Hartz Mountain Industries will be the co-sponsor of this public/private partnership. The essential component in the program will be the social services aspect. To lessen the trauma of homelessness, orientation for re-entry into the mainstream of society is key. Counseling, child care, social and medical services will give the families in the 102 transitional units the skills needed to find permanent housing and to live independently and productively.

The economic growth of any city depends on its fiscal strength. In order for money to be made in and to remain in the Central Ward of Newark, the NCC/Pathmark Shopping Center will become a "ground-breaking" reality in November 1988. Almost 300 jobs will be generated immediately upon completion of the Center. Resident shoppers of this densely populated area will no longer be forced to shop outside of the city. The economy of the Central Ward will improve.

Child Care has been a major concern of Babyland Nursery for over twenty years. In accepting babies as young as 2½ months old, Babyland has made it possible for mothers to return to the work force sooner. A program of day care and education for teenage mothers and their children has recently been established in Babyland. The awareness of the need for this project was heightened by the statistics given by just one high school principal in Newark - 1) approximately 50 mothers or expectant mothers enroll in freshman classes 2) 2-3 students leave school every month because of pregnancy. The need for these young women to return to school or to work is crucial to the children's and parents' future's as productive members of society. Another recent undertaking by NCC/Babyland is the rehabilitation of a facility for day care for infants with AIDS. Bellemead Corporation has been involved in the renovation work on this Parent and Child Center Extension.

Regardless of the efforts of NCC and other groups with similar goals, there is a growing gap between the rich and poor in our country. The "haves" are unhappy about the "have-nots". However, their distress does not include a redistribution of wealth. Newark, New Jersey is a microcosm, highly intensified, of all the ills that befall the country. Inequality ranks high among the ills. Since human rights are minimum rights to which all are entitled, the right to life, food, clothing, shelter, medical care, education, and employment are NOT equally distributed. There is no valid rationale for injustice. The "haves" who have the power must work on systemic change.

For twenty years NCC has fought the good fight in the war against discrimination for housing, day care, and job opportunities. They have been

Harmony House Progresses...

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missioner of Community Affairs Anthony M. Villane Jr. becomes a reality (see related story), Harmony House would act as a stepping stone for families encountering emergency situations until openings in truly affordable housing were available. Such apartments today are hard to find and getting scarcer.

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Top: Area residents concerned with the issue of homelessness attend the site planning board meeting on New Community Corporation's proposal for Harmony House.

Bottom: Ray Codey, Director of Development addresses the need for emergency housing for the homeless and New Community's commitment to build Harmony House.

Photos by Eva Obermeyer



New Community Federal Credit Union

FACTS ABOUT THE NEW COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

DO YOU KNOW THAT:

1. You are eligible to be a member if you are one of the FOLLOWING:

- New Community Corporation Employee
- Babyland Nursery Employee
- Babyland Nursery Parent
- St. Rose School Employee
- St. Rose School Parent
- St. Rose Church Member
- Extended Health Care Facility Employee
- New Community Resident
- Gateway Cable Employee
- Community FoodBank Employee

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3. You can obtain personal and car loans at lower interest rates than most banks and other financial institutions.

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6. You can still maintain your membership with all the benefits after you leave the employment of the NCC Network, Gateway Cable or Community FoodBank.

For more information come in to St. Joseph Plaza, 233 West Market Street, Newark, New Jersey or call (201) 623-2800 Exts. 208, 209 or 296 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

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committed to the creation of affordable housing and decent jobs. In all of their actions, combating poverty and powerlessness is what NCC does best.

For New Community, solidarity is

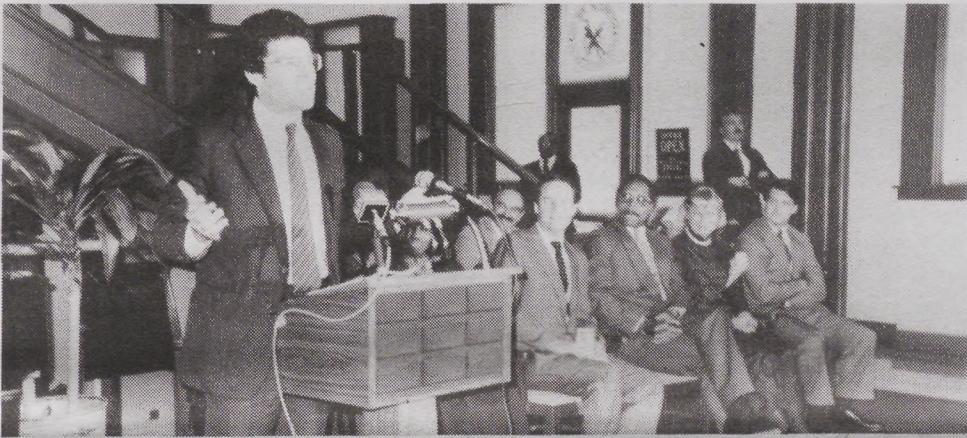
real community which can be converted into power. In order to effect any REAL change in any system controlled by any government, political power must be exerted. New Community, in solidarity, has that power.

Center For AIDS Innocents...

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Altman called the event one that brings both a smile and a tear." The smile he explained "is for this wonderful AIDS program when it comes to commitment and caring, and willingness to roll up your sleeves and take on the toughest job which so many have done. But the tear too is obviously there, because the job is there to do at all. And that's sad. It is sad because the Division of Youth and Family Services now has 185 children under supervision with AIDS or ARC or some form of infection of the HIV virus. We have responded to that challenge and that tragedy just every way you can think of by being the first state — to launch a Medicaid Waiver Project so we can use that big financing program to help people stay at home and get the kind of care they need and not be stuck for months in hospital beds at exorbitant expense."

"We desperately need this program



Drew Altman, NJ Commissioner of Human Services addresses the guests at the opening of the Dedication Ceremony which was held at St. Joseph's Plaza.

here today," he stated. The State Department of Human Services will be joining with the Federal Government as full partners in the project.

"AIDS not only destroys lives, it can destroy families and communities as well," Altman said.

"Many of our children suffering from this disease, most often infected at birth, are denied what should rightfully be theirs; the right to grow and develop in a supportive, caring and nurturing environment," Altman added.

Mayor James said, "The most tragic victims of this dreaded disease are the children. We salute Babyland and New Community Corporation for taking this very compassionate and courageous stand by opening their hearts and programs to children who are afflicted with this illness. New Community, which has been a leader in so many areas, once again is setting an example for other health care and community organizations to follow."

Also participating in the ceremony were Andy McElwee, Vice-President of Bellemead Corporation, which contributed substantially to the rehabilitation of the child care center facility; Carolyn A. Rice, Regional Administrator of the Office of Human Development Services, US Department of Health and Human Services; and William Waldman, Director of the Division of Youth and Family Services, NJ Department of Human Services.

Children will be referred to the center by medical units working with

AIDS patients, as well as the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services.

Babyland will associate with United Hospitals Medical Center in Newark to meet several important needs: the Childrens Hospital AIDS Program, will provide medical monitoring, assessment, and ongoing treatment for each of the children; the hospital's Early Intervention Program will focus on early childhood development education, reinforcing therapies, and nutrition. Babyland will provide child care, along with counseling and support services for parents and guardians. There will be emphasis on assisting the entire family to improve the condition and quality of family life.

Once the center is open, care will be provided from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday for ten babies and toddlers. Plans call for an eventual enrollment of 30. The specialized care for each child will include dai-

ly physical examinations. Each child will also be weighed regularly and diet will be adjusted according to the child's needs.

The facility is unique among federal programs because it is the first in the nation to receive funding through Headstart. A day care program established in the South Bronx for AIDS children operates under different federal funding guidelines.

The need for specialized day care is very great, according to Gwendolyn I. Long, Human Services Director of New Community. "The great vulnerability to infection, the critical need for intense monitoring, the necessity for proper nutrition, and the abundant family problems associated with the HIV-infected child — all these require special training and sensitivity. Child care for these babies will be a combination of professional care and loving attention within a nurturing environment."

The establishment of a child care program in New Jersey adds to the scope of care for children in the state infected with AIDS. By providing extensive medical monitoring and care, the program allows for early detection of complications. Early detection enhances effective treatment and thereby reduces the time a child needs to be hospitalized. In addition, a child can be discharged from the hospital sooner if monitoring and strict adherence to treatment therapies will be followed. The program can ease the emotional stress of round-the-clock care from the family, which may be experiencing adult



Left to right: Center Director Sr. Clare Elton, Babyland Director Mary Smith, U.S. Asst. Secretary for Human Development Services Sydney Olson, Governor Thomas Kean and Newark Mayor Sharpe James share a joyous moment at the dedication.

health problems, as well. The program may also encourage more foster parents to care for an HIV-infected child once respite day care and its support services are available.

The Parent/Child Extension Center was established with federal and state funds. A \$120,000 grant was received from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Of that, \$100,000 was dedicated to operational costs and \$20,000 was spent toward rehabilitation for the specialized care facility. The N.J. Department of Human Services, Division of Youth and Family Services, committed \$125,000 for the operational budget. DYFS will also fund \$35,000 toward the Childrens Hospital AIDS Program for its professional staff working at the child care center.

Additional funding will be sought. Operational budget for the center will be \$300,000 a year. The total cost of rehabilitating the facility was \$150,000.

Bellemead Development Corporation of Roseland donated the bulk of the construction financing and contributed rehabilitation work at cost for the facility. Bellemead also coordinated the construction and

rehabilitation work with New Community's Housing and Vocational Empowerment Program (HAVE), which used the project as a training site to teach building skills to trainees recruited from homeless shelters.

Two New Community trainees, who have learned marketable skills and experienced a stable environment, were presented certification of their training from Commissioner Altman. Barry Cameron and Troy Portee completed 1,000 hours of training in construction to earn the certificates.

Sister Clare Elton, Director of Babyland's Parent/Child Center, delivered the benediction at the ceremony.

The Parent/Child Center Extension is the newest edition to Babyland's programs. The third largest day care provider in the nation and the largest in New Jersey, Babyland currently cares for over 325 children in three different centers. It maintains a protective service program for abused and neglected children, a Family Day Care Program, and New Jersey's largest protective service program for victims of family violence, which includes the operation of a shelter for women and their children.

Babyland Now Has A HEAD START

Babyland Nursery, Inc. was recently awarded a grant for a Parent and Child Center by The Office of Human Development Services, in Washington, D.C.. This is a federally funded HEADSTART program for pregnant teens or for teens who are parents of children ages 0-3.

Babyland will provide an educational curriculum for infants and toddlers in a day care setting at Babyland I, 755 South Orange Avenue in Newark. Before school, during their lunch periods and after school, the teen parents will come to the nursery so they may interact with their child while learning parenting skills from caregivers and professional consultants.

Women in the United States who became adolescent mothers have been over-represented on the welfare rolls since the early 1970's. Therefore, Babyland's goal is to provide the opportunity for teen parents to finish their high school education and finally, to enter the job market.

Services to pregnant teens or teen mothers will also include education

about the nutritional needs of their children and themselves, as well as dental and general health care. Infants and toddlers will be transported to the Center daily between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

If you know anyone who is a pregnant teen attending school or a teen mother in high school with a 0-3 year



Left to right: Michelle Mintz and daughter Aniyah are welcomed to the new Head Start Infant Program by Social Worker Denise Baskerville.

old child, please call Babyland Nursery for more information and ask for Sister Clare Elton. The number is 399-3400 during regular business hours.

HAVE Trainees Graduate

Work Way Out Of Homelessness While Helping Others

On October 4th, two trainees — **Barry Cameron** and **Troy Portee** — of New Community's HAVE (Housing and Vocational Empowerment) program graduated after 24+ weeks of comprehensive training in Building Rehab/Renovation/Maintenance Skills along with, Counseling and Remedial Instruction. They have directly helped to provide affordable housing for over 60 people through the rehabilitation of apart-

Led by both Director Chris Mazauskas, and Lead Trainer Lester Jefferson, they quickly learned how to make the most out of an initially difficult situation through innovative construction and salvage techniques. Lumber was stripped from existing walls and put to use again in many repairs; plywood was removed from former wall displays (the building had been a women's shop) and used to replace rotted areas of flooring. Ex-



The HAVE training program includes study time for the trainees as well as actual hands on experience.



A trainee prepares an old wall for a face lift.

ments at Douglass-Harrison in the course of their training, while literally working their way out of homelessness.

Last July, after having developed their basic skills at Douglass-Harrison, the trainees (eight, in all) were enlisted in a very special effort (one that would ultimately test and improve them): the rebuilding of a brick shell at 563 Orange Street into a daycare center for children with AIDS. Monsignor Linder had witnessed the trainees' work at Douglass-Harrison and felt they could make a valuable contribution to the project and grow from the experience.

Work at 563 began on the brink of a heatwave during which temperatures passed the 100° mark for days and weeks on end. Through it all, the HAVE crew arrived vigilantly every morning, anxious to help and learn.

tensive site, demolition, and clean-up work prepared the way for further efforts.

At one point, a large steel gate at the front of the building unexpectedly pulled away from the exterior wall, collapsing into the street. This left the interior first floor exposed and a 20'x12' wall had to be constructed immediately. NCC's Central Maintenance responded quickly to the emergency with needed materials and supplies, enabling the HAVE crew to secure the building before end-of-day.

In all, much work was accomplished during the first two weeks before Bellemead Construction Co. (which worked with New Community on the Sussex Avenue apartment rehabilitation project) arrived to give much-needed assistance throughout the rest of the job.

As a result of their experiences at 563 Orange Street, trainees in the HAVE program have greatly strengthened their construction skills. Equally important, in helping others, they have been helped in turn by gaining improved self-image, confidence and the power that comes from giving and sharing.

Upon graduating, both Barry and Troy received full sets of work clothes and hand tools to help them in the new careers that await them. They will be interviewing for entry level positions at the Essex County Resource Recovery Facility on Blanchard Street in Newark.

Many thanks go to NCC's Central Maintenance for responding quickly to the project's material and equipment needs; Belle Mead for their assistance and to New Community for its continued support of HAVE. Congratulations Barry and Troy and Good Luck!

Disaster Drill Prepares Extended Care

A simulated disaster situation was enacted at the Extended Care Facility on September 29, 1988 at 10:30 a.m. All personnel were alerted for the drill.

The Medical Day Care area was cleared within five minutes. The second floor of the Facility required more time to evacuate since the ambulatory moved slowly and several residents needed to be carried. The

evacuees assembled in the parking lot in reasonably good humor. They enjoyed the change in routine.

Director Canady was pleased with the quasi-evacuation drill in his facility. He realizes that there is room for improvement in timing as well as on specific movement of residents. More practice drills will ensure the safety of all residents and personnel.



Extended Care Facility residents and Medical Day Care participants were assembled in the parking lot during the disaster drill.

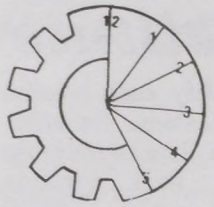


Newark Fire Inspector Sheldon Harris reviews evacuation procedures with a New Community Officer and Security Director Jim DuBose during the disaster drill.



Photo by Eva Obermeyer

BABYLAND'S NEWEST VENTURE The Parent/Child Extension Center will provide much needed services for the innocent baby and toddler victims of AIDS and for their parents as well.



NCC Employment Center Beating The Odds

New Community Corporation Employment Center has had many successes in finding jobs for "hard-to-employ" people from the local area. Many applicants to our no-fee employment program face tremendous obstacles in their attempts to become productive, self-sufficient members of the community. Some are homeless, some are ex-offenders or have used or abused alcohol or drugs in the past. In addition to needing a job, they must also rise above the stigmas attached to these labels.

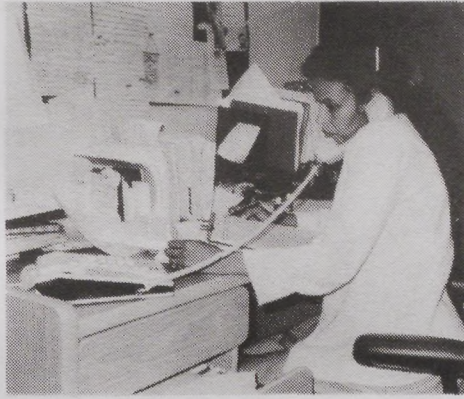
We talked to Ernestine Serrano about the situations she encounters in her work as the Hispanic Employment Counselor. "Hispanic job seekers must overcome even greater challenges than the majority of people we see, such as those with the problems mentioned above. If they are also Hispanic the road to employment is even harder. But despite the roadblocks, opportunities for employment do exist, if you know where to look. It takes more time and energy but it's not impossible," said Ernestine. "These applicants are some of my greatest challenges," she said.

Many of the Hispanic applicants are referred by other community-based organizations which focus on different problems the job seeker is experiencing.

Ernestine has found jobs for many

get very depressed and just don't go. Many hours are spent trying to persuade these kids to go back to school," she said sadly.

Finally Ernestine must deal with the skill level of her applicants. "I see so many young women who graduate from 'secretarial training schools' yet have no real aptitude for the job and no real secretarial skills to speak of when they finish. No attempt was ever made to determine aptitude to



Ernestine Serrano

begin with. They spend thousands of dollars and many months attempting to learn these skills only to realize when they enter the job market that they have not been honestly and properly trained. Therefore they are no more employable than before they enrolled in the so-called school. This bothers me a lot," said Ernestine.

Most of the problems Hispanic applicants are faced with are also obstacles the majority of our applicants must deal with. Issues of language, culture and legalization run like a thread through the lives of many of the people we see. Now that all job seekers must present various forms of identification, the process of finding a job is becoming more complex, even for those who are U.S. citizens.

NCC Employment Center counselors are helping to search for solutions for the people we see. Practical advice, useful leads and human compassion are some of the things job seekers can expect when utilizing our program. Most of us need help at least some of the time, and it's especially nice when it comes from people who really care. If you're having difficulty finding a job, just call the Employment Center to find people who care and know where the jobs are.

L. Michelle Odom

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

New Community Corporation Employment Center is a non-profit, no-fee employment counseling and placement service for the people and employers of the metropolitan area. If you would like to reduce your advertising expense and interviewing time, just let us know of your job openings. If you need help finding a job — or a better job — just call for an appointment. Employers and job seekers may reach us at (201) 643-3828.



Joint Venture Planned In Jersey City

New Community Corporation has been designated by the City of Jersey City to construct eighty-three 3 bedroom modular townhouses throughout the city. It is anticipated that the units will sell for prices rang-

ing between \$8,000 and \$45,000.

This project is a joint venture with the Colgate-Palmolive Company. Construction should commence in early 1989 and be completed approximately six months later.

Service Is Our Watchword NCC Human Services Lift Us Above Other Non-Profit Housing Corporations

Unlike many non-profit housing corporations New Community did not build its housing and turn it over to someone else to manage and maintain. The reason? Very simply — people.

The thrust of New Community has never been 'housing' but will always be the human beings who live in the homes it has provided and whose needs are uppermost in their minds.

For this reason New Community staffs its own **Management Department** whose job it is to see that the buildings are kept up to New Community standards while also listening to any problems which might arise for the tenants. Communication in this department is a two-way street.

The environment surrounding New Community property is secured by our own **Security Department** whose officers maintain security throughout the developments on a 24 hour basis. They work on foot, in patrol vehicles and at the base station video control. The effect of such security has been to lessen the burden of the Newark Police Department.

Maintenance of the developments falls to workers who are involved in the preservation and beautification of New Community housing. Painting, plumbing, carpentry, repairs, landscaping, etc. are on their daily agenda.

Supporting the whole concept of providing human services is the New Community **Social Services Department**. A social worker from this department is assigned to each housing unit to assess the needs of the tenants such as medical transportation for seniors and the disabled, tutoring and recreational activities for children or such basic entitlements as Social Security, which they will direct them to. A Health Care Center sponsored by United Hospitals offers "accessible health services to individuals and families who do not have a doctor."

Families' needs are quite different from those of seniors so individual attention is given to each.

In-Home Programs

The basic In-Home programs which New Community provides are for example: Meals on Wheels; Congregate Nutrition Program and a nutrition site; Home Health Care programs which provide non-medical personal care to the elderly and disabled who are functionally limited in their ability to do this themselves; Home Friends program which assists the elderly and disabled in a homemaker chore capacity.

Since there is no shopping center in the New Community development area, the Social Services Department manages concessions in the Senior buildings stocking such staples as bread, milk, eggs, etc. so they do not

run out of necessary food items because of the difficulty they have without reasonable access to a normal food market. A Brown Bag Program gives them a monthly opportunity to receive an ample amount of food from the Food Bank for a nominal fee (supplementing their normal shopping needs).

Youth is provided for by an After School Program in two sites emphasizing homework assistance, tutoring in math, reading and computer skills and providing recreation. Supper is served at one of the sites. Recreation is provided in the evening after 6:00 p.m. for the older children.

A Summer Program for youth is also held at two locations in the 45 acre development area during which both breakfast and lunch are provided. The emphasis here is again on education and recreation, with frequent trips enlarging the youths' world.

Latest in the services which the department provides is a Job Training Program which offers those caught in the cycle of welfare an opportunity to break that cycle by participating in a three week training program leading to certification as Home Health Care Providers. Employment placement would follow. The service these Home Health Care Providers would render to elderly and disabled people would in turn allow them to retain the dignity of remaining independent in their own homes.

Volunteers A Godsend

A dedicated corps of volunteers both in and outside the community is a godsend to Social Services. Nine Volunteers In Service to America (VISTA) enable the After School Program to function effectively through their assistance with tutoring and homework supervision. Our second Jesuit Volunteer Corps member has just arrived on the scene to lend an additional hand with youth. The program offers women and men an opportunity to work full-time in justice and peace in a different setting, integrating Christian faith by working and living simply among the people whom they serve.

Support from grants, Churches, the local community and individuals make this work possible. Friends are what keep our faith and hope alive.

To mention the time spent in outreach and distribution of donated food, clothing, furniture, etc., or liaison work with state and local organizations would fill another story, but the dedication is key to it all. We are very proud of the work done for all our residents in the area of HUMAN SERVICES giving life to our philosophy that all persons, as children of God, are entitled to and capable of confirming their own dignity and determining their own destiny.

Job Placements For September: 115

people with such histories. "Ex-offenders need special treatment because of employer reluctance to hire them. Employers often think that bad things will happen if this person is given a chance. I counsel applicants on how to convince their potential employer of their trustworthiness and determination to succeed in the community," said Ernestine.

Almost 50% of the Hispanic applicants do not have the English language skill. "This is a major problem. A noticeable number of my applicants hold bachelor's degrees but are unable to find suitable employment because they lack knowledge of English. Often I am able to find menial jobs that allow them to survive while they concentrate on acquiring the language. I am able to place them with Hispanic companies where they can utilize their education and earn a better living. Good jobs can be found for these applicants, but it is harder and takes more time. In all cases, my advice is to learn the language," she said.

"High school drop outs who come from foreign countries very often do not speak English. Their situation is very difficult because they are reluctant to go into American schools or educational programs and fail to realize how much they are handicapped themselves. In many Spanish-speaking countries, the school systems are very strict and disciplined. In America, they feel unable to cope with the looser school structure,

Babyland Trains For HEAD START

September 6, 7 and 8 were pre-service training days for Babyland's new Head Start Program staff. Ms. Madeline Schultz from the main office in Washington, D.C. presented Head Start's goals and philosophies. Since Babyland's new program will

ing economic and personal problems.

Ms. Barice Croix-Williamson from New York University offered the staff insights into the psychology of the adolescent and their child's development.

Ms. Patricia Hall, also from New



Left to right: Sr. Clare Elton, Sr. Suzanne Janis, Dr. Diane Kaufman and Sr. Mary Lou Madden discuss early childhood issues. Dr. Kaufman, a child psychologist from UMDNJ, offered an in-service workshop to Babyland staff.

provide services to infants and toddlers, as well as their teen mothers and fathers, it will be classified as a Parent and Child Center Program.

Head Start's objectives are the overall development progress of the child, with emphasis on the prevention of a variety of developmental deficits, to increase the parents' knowledge of parenting, and to strengthen the family unit. These objectives are accomplished through services that include infant-toddler developmental activities, comprehensive health care of young children and their families, nutrition education, social services for the entire family, parent involvement in the program, and assistance to parents in overcoming

York University, gave us age-appropriate expectations of infants and toddlers in the areas of motor, language, social and cognitive development.

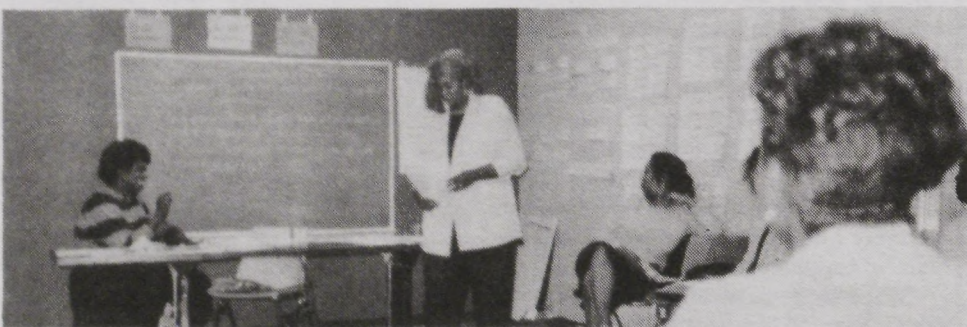
Caregivers, social workers, a bus driver, and administrative staff members attended the training sessions and are now eager, educated, and equipped to serve teens and their children with a comprehensive program.



Sr. Suzanne Janis, Social Service Coordinator for future AIDS program, enjoys a moment with a healthy infant at Babyland I.



Sr. Clare Elton receives a well deserved pat from a young admirer at Babyland I.



Barice Croix-Williamson, a parent involvement specialist and Patricia M. Hall, an early childhood specialist presented a workshop on working with teenage parents. This was part of the Sept. 6-8 in-service training at Babyland I.

Second Leadership Institute

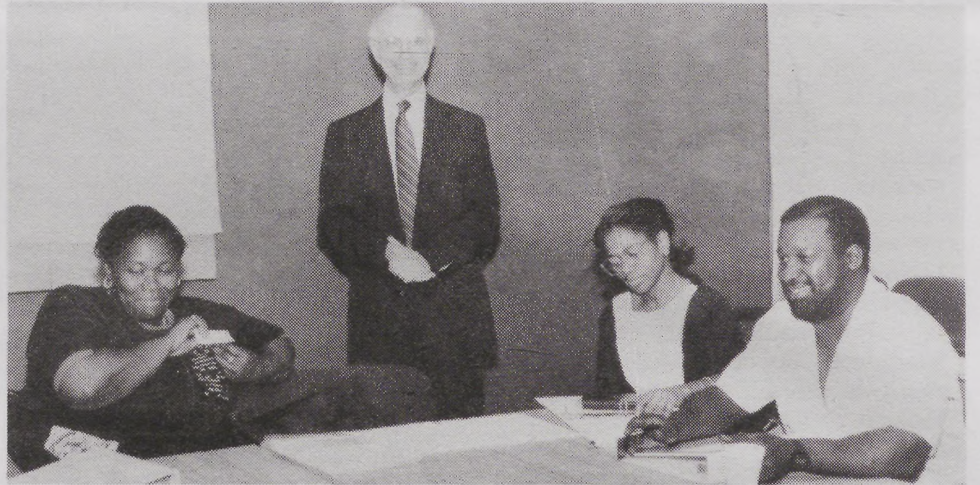
New Community Corporation is offering another Leadership Institute. Training sessions will be held each Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of Babyland III, 500 South Orange Avenue.

Classes started on September 27th and will run through November 22nd (no sessions on Election Day, November 8th), with an additional closing on Saturday, December 3rd, 1988.

NCC will provide van transportation and child care for those participants who request them. We warmly welcome Sister Doris Ann,

O.P. who will solidify each session with realistic applications for effective communication. The Leadership Institute topics will include Grassroots Leadership; NCC History, Philosophy and Goals; Newark's Political Scene; Newark's Economy; Housing and Crime; Health Care Needs; Education; NCC Future Projects.

The Leadership Institute Committee
Mrs. Mowbrey McKinley
Mr. Richard Proctor
S. Helene Trueitt, ASC
S. Mary Ellen Bennett, O.P.,
Chairperson

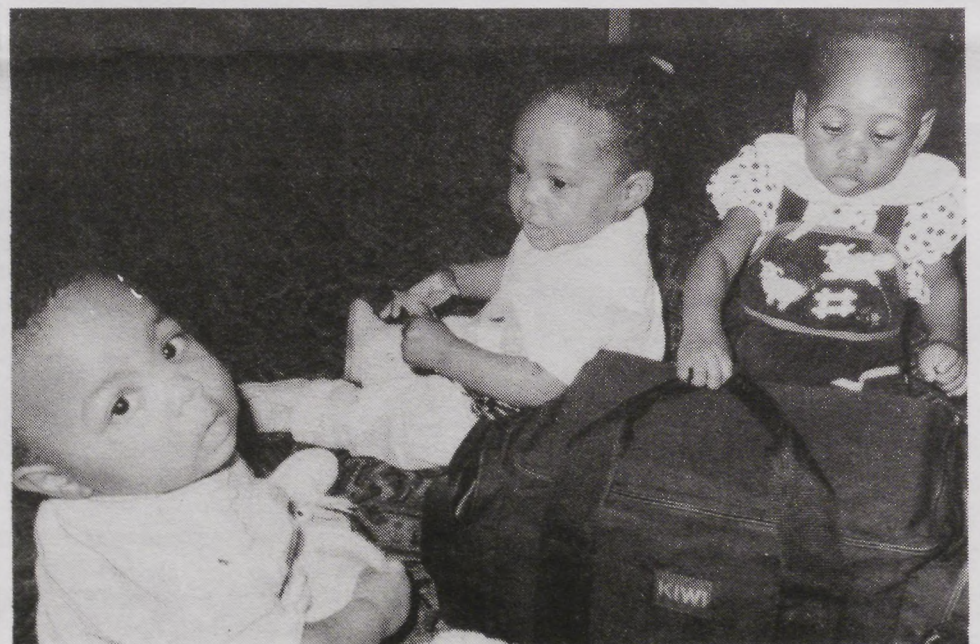


Mr. John Bins, Co-director of the New Community Employment Center, offered a well prepared talk on grassroots leadership at the opening session of the Leadership Institute.

SAY CHEESE PLEASE!



Future photographers seem to have their eyes focused on the cameras as well as on their bright futures thanks to the wonderful care they receive at Babyland.



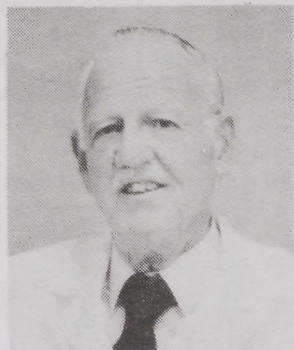
Health Reflections: Some Side Notes

There are a lot of misconceptions about health. Nutritional ones, for a start. Take "Sugarless Gum." It may help you avoid tooth decay, but don't kid yourself that you're ingesting fewer calories. Chances are you are consuming just as many calories as if you chewed sugared gum.

The culprit in this case, is a substance called sorbitol, a natural sweetener that contains as many calories as sugar.

Or take **non-dairy creamers** — "Non Dairy" means anything but nonsaturated. In fact, you should know that most non-dairy creamers contain a good deal of coconut oil which is more saturated than milk fat although it does not contain cholesterol.

On **Fiber Supplements** — While more and more people have become concerned about the amount of fiber in their diets, few realize that even if you ate an entire bottle of most self-billed high fiber pills you would not get the fiber available in bowl of strawberries!



Dr. Paul
Kearney

It is interesting to think of your **family and friends as your health!** It has been found that the emotional support that you receive from your closest relationships may be more valuable to your resistance to disease than any surgical innovation, medication or mineral supplement on the market. Time and again new studies have shown that mortality and disease may be directly related to the stress of loneliness and isolation.

Paul A. Kearney, M.D.
Medical Director
NCC Extended Care Facility

Soup And Salad Bar Newest Attraction Of Sandwich Shop

It might be called "The Soup and Salad Bar," but much more than soup and salad are appetizingly displayed and ready to be heaped in abundance on waiting plates. In answer to patrons' requests, the Soup and Salad Bar at The Sandwich Shop offers steaming soup, a crisp combination of greens and tasty vegetables, tuna and

chicken salad, luscious fruit salad and a variety of surprises. All fresh. All you can eat. All for \$5.95.

The line-up at the Soup and Sandwich Bar serving themselves during lunch gives it rave reviews. It's quick. It's nutritious. It's healthful. And it's delicious.



The soup and salad bar offers a wide variety of choices.

FOOT FACTS:

Foot Perspiration: A Fact Of Life

Office Hours at St. Joseph's Plaza
9-12 Mon.
9-12 every 2nd & 4th Sat.

No one likes to think about it, but their feet perspire. And perspiration brings an odor - not to mention the possibility of fungus infection - and even embarrassment. But foot perspiration is a fact of life, and serious foot odor, called bromidrosis, is a condition treatable by your podiatric physician.

The person whose feet sweat excessively is a candidate for developing blisters - a common problem for people who jog and for athletes. Sweating also predisposes the feet to bacterial and fungal infections of the feet. The foot, encased in a shoe or sneaker, has a warm, dark environment perfect for breeding fungus infections like athlete's foot. Children wearing canvas footwear, for example, should make sure they replace their sneakers often, air-dry them 24 hours before re-use. Avoid prolonged use on hard surfaces such as streets and sidewalks.

Perspiration - sweat, if you will - has gotten a bum wrap over the years. When the temperature creeps into the 80's or 90's, few things feel as good as the cooling effect of a breeze evaporating the perspiration on your skin. And that's why you sweat - it's your body's air conditioner, and it keeps your internal temperature in the normal range during those hot and sweaty situations. If you didn't perspire, your body temperature might keep rising, and might not stop short of death.

Humans are the only ones in creation who sweat to cool themselves. That's why a cat, on a hot day, moves so slowly, and makes an effort to find a spot of shade under a cool tree. The cat can't sweat, so it has to take it really slow.

But even sweat may not be enough of a cooler during strenuous outdoor exercise on a hot day. How do you

Dr. Kenneth
Frank
Podiatrist



know if you're overdoing it? If you exercise heavily in the heat, you'll probably be seriously dehydrated by the time you get thirsty. If you're really dripping - if your shoes are filling with water - that's a sign that you're risking dehydration.

Most doctors advise drinking water early in exercise, and drinking it often. Even small quantities are fine - a third of a glass at a time. But, there's no sense in drinking as much as you can, because you're not a camel. The best thing to do is to replace your water losses continuously.

Are salt tablets necessary? You may notice a salty taste on your skin after perspiration evaporates. It's why people think they lose a lot of sodium through perspiration. But it is only because the water has evaporated. People do not lose that much sodium in sweat. The body has lost so much more water than salt, that the percentage of salt in the body is usually elevated.

If heavy perspiration and foot odor are a problem for you, your podiatric physician has the answer. Everyone's feet should enjoy the care of regular dusting with a good foot powder, along with the wearing of absorbent hose. Every attempt should be made to keep the feet dry during hot weather to avoid the risk of infection. But don't become frustrated or upset about sweat. It's nature's way to keep you cool. All you have to do is heed the warning signs of dehydration, and pay attention to personal hygiene.

In the meantime, stay cool and enjoy the warm weather. And for fresh feet, take down this prescription:

Deodorants and antiperspirants aren't for underarms only - you can use them on the soles of your feet!

Finally, wear socks, and sprinkle foot powder on your feet to absorb moisture.

THE CHEF'S CORNER

With Autumn breezes just around the corner, here's a hearty soup recipe to warm you up from head to toe.

Split Pea Soup

Preparation time: 2 hours

Serves: 10

2 carrots
½ stalk celery
2 large onions
1 teaspoon chopped garlic
½ lb. butter (margarine or oil)
1 lb. dry green split peas
hambone (optional)
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon black pepper

Chop vegetables fairly small and cook in butter until wilted.

In the meantime wash and sort split peas and place in cold water. Simmer



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(with hambone if desired).

When vegetables are wilted, add them to the simmering split peas. Cook down until done, whipping occasionally with wire whip. The result will be a smooth, thick, steaming and deliciously welcome cold weather soup.

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Where Are The Babylanders Now?

Communication is the most essential ingredient for continued participation of past and present children attending Babyland, as well as parents and friends of Babyland Nursery.

We want to hear from you. Your cards, letters, photos and correspondence would be appreciated.

Where are the following young ladies, young men, and their parents or guardians???

Tera Allen	Charlene Flagg
Felicia Alston	Shenita Ford
Carroll Aneiku	Kim Garrit
Lorenzo Angelita	Kendall Garrison
Nena Arestilde	Kim Gilcrest
Shkiera Armstrong	Darryl Glenn
Miguel Baez	Kiesha Godfrey
Sean Bellemy	Jeresha Goode
Jeffrey Blyther	LaJuan Hartsfield
Jakai Braithwatt	Jamelliah Henry
Jamal Chambers	Quentine Hines
Maisha Chestnut	Christine Holland
Khari Collins	Kiesha Holland
Terrance Conners	Idris Holmes
Dennis Conte	Mulgat Hooks
Nadira Conway	Alterie House
Donna Darrien	Anthony House
Ivan Davis	Alisha Issae
Charmaine Dixon	Calvin Jacobs
Rashan Dixon	Katrina Jenkins

We will print the second half of our "Where Are They Now?" list next month.

Please send all correspondence to Ruby Dawson, c/o Babyland Nursery, Inc., 755 South Orange Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07106.

NC Manor Council Sworn In

Leadership is always an important factor in any group venture. The residents at New Community Manor have just selected their council members who will lead them and act as their voice.

The 545 Tenant Council members who were chosen by the residents to act on their behalf and to insure that the philosophy of NCC is upheld are: Mr. Juan Alvarado, President; Mr. Donald Green, Vice-President; Ms. Beatrice Meadows, Secretary; Mrs. Margaret Phillips, Treasurer; and Mrs. Henrietta Goodson, Chaplain.

Mr. Alvarado is new to NCC Manor but he has made strides with the residents from his first day and has joined the Leadership Committee at St. Joe's. He is the store manager at NC Manor.

Mr. Green is a younger resident who has been associated with NC Manor for the past 3½ years. He is a recent graduate of the Taylor Business School class of '88. He will attend graduation ceremonies in November. Mr. Green has always been very courteous and helpful. He wants to get ahead.

Ms. Meadows, a long resident of NC Manor is always ready to help where needed and tries not to let anything get or keep her down.

Mrs. Phillips has always held positions of a financial matter and has done a great job with money management. Her neighbors place a lot of confidence and trust in her judgement.

Mrs. Goodson is truly a blessing to have at Manor for she goes out of her way to help someone else, be it cooking, cleaning or praying for someone. She usually is under a lot of pain

From Priors To Priory

On September 14, fifteen monks from Weston Priory in Vermont visited New Community. During their short stay with New Community, Father Linder and Cecilia Faulks gave them the grand tour through the



The Monks from Weston Priory, Vermont listen attentively as Msgr. Linder shares the history of St. Joseph's Plaza. This was part of a New Community tour.

developments, Babyland, Extended Care Facility, renovation site for Parent/Child Center, and St. Joseph Plaza. The last stop was the Priory Restaurant where the Brothers enjoyed lunch with Larry Goldston, Gwendolyn Long, Dorothy Douge, and Arthur Wilson as well as with their "tour guides."

For many years NCC has enjoyed the special interest and prayers of the Monks. We cherish this friendship.



Some of the newly elected members of NC Manor Tenant Council are (left to right) President Juan Alvarado, Secretary Beatrice Meadows, Program Coordinator Joyce Cook and Vice-president Donald Green.

herself but one would never know it. Mrs. Goodson puts her trust in God and believes He will make the way possible.

Truly no finer selection could have been made. Manor is made up of Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, males, females, young, seniors, handicapped and disabled. I believe with the Council members who were elected, that everyone at Manor will be fairly and equally represented.

To officially place them in office, Security Director James DuBose swore the Council in on Monday, September 26, 1988 at an informal ceremony at Manor and briefly reminded them of the importance of their charge.

Good luck to the new 545 Tenant Council and we look forward to a fruitful and prosperous year.

Joyce Cook

St. Rose Centennial Winding Down

1987-1988 has been a memorable and joy filled year in the parish of Saint Rose of Lima. A centennial celebration, for most of us, is a one-in-a-lifetime experience. To remember all that has been done and project all that can be done is both rewarding and challenging.

To celebrate a centennial is a thing

in the Roseville section of Newark, our beautiful Church still stands, majestic in its Gothic structure. The parish of Saint Rose has always helped to make history in the community and continues to do so today.

We would be pleased to have you visit us during our remaining celebrations and you would be most welcome



Benny Saramiento works hard to keep St. Rose of Lima Church as beautiful today as it was one hundred years ago!

of wonder, since the test of time has been met and the works of one generation have rolled over again and again into the lives of a new generation who inherit the dream. To celebrate the centennial of Saint Rose of Lima Parish is to celebrate a story of love found in lives dedicated, promises fulfilled, and a mission accomplished. It is the story of parishioners — past, present, and future.

Although there are many changes

any time. So to all who are proud to say, "I am from Saint Rose of Lima Parish...", Why not come home?

SAVE THIS DATE

For: Saint Rose Of Lima Church
100th Anniversary

Date: Sunday - December 11, 1988

Time: 11:00 a.m. Liturgy

Celebrant: Archbishop Theodore McCarrick
Reception in the School Hall

Happy 23rd Anniversary Roseville



Above: Roseville Seniors celebrated their 23rd anniversary with a dinner and a band. Senior members (left to right) Jennie Albanese, Julia Wiest, Gertrude Banks, Emily Jordan and Bette Cordese look forward to the cake and the future. Right: Lillie Davidson, 94 years young and Lou de Groat enjoyed the party.



Security Corner

Officer Of The Month

Security Officer Barbara Johnson, a three year veteran of the NCC Security Department was selected "Officer of the Month" for September, 1988.

Security Officer Johnson was selected because of her loyalty and unselfish dedication to duty. Officer Johnson has earned the respect of her

recognition of her devotion to duty.

Before joining the NCC Security Force, Officer Johnson was a coordinator for the Newark Neighborhood Youth Corps (SYEP).

She was encouraged to seek employment with the New Community Corporation on the recommendation(s) of family members who already were employed by the cor-

on being selected. She is a credit to the Security Department.

Officer Johnson was presented with an engraved plaque from Katzin's Uniform Company of Newark, co-sponsor of the program and the New Community Security Department.

S/O Hubbard Promoted

Security Officer James Hubbard was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on September 1, 1988 by the Director of Security, James E. DuBose.

Sergeant Hubbard, who had been acting Sergeant for several months has been a member of the NCC Security Force for four years.

Sergeant Hubbard was promoted because of his experience, loyalty and proven ability to meet the challenges of leadership as an acting sergeant.

He was cited last year for actions above and beyond the call of duty, which earned him a class "B" Commendation for Meritorious Service, New Community Security's second highest award.

A native Newarker who worked

very well with the more experienced sergeants, S/O Hubbard learned the value of teamwork during his experience as a semi-pro athlete. He was a catcher and outfielder with a semi-pro baseball team, the Newark Hawks, for eight years and a star running back with a semi-pro football team known as the Newark Scorpions, for two years.

A product of the Newark School System, upon graduation from Malcolm X Shabazz High School, he attended Jersey City State College, where he majored in Secondary Education. Sergeant Hubbard is a graduate of Essex College of Business from which he received a certificate in Business Administration.

His first love is music and photography, despite his athlete prowess. Sergeant Hubbard plays three musical instruments extremely well, including the base guitar, the keyboard and drums. He is presently working on an album which he hopes will bring him success upon its completion.



S/O Barbara Johnson proudly receives her Security Officer of the Month award from Extended Care Facility Director Leroy Canady.

colleagues and residents alike, and has developed the reputation of being a hard working individual wherever assigned.

Further evidence of the high esteem in which Officer Johnson is held can be found in a recent memo received by Director of Security, James DuBose from Mr. Leroy Canady, Executive Director of the NCC Extended Care Facility, 266 South Orange Avenue. Mr. Canady, speaking on behalf of himself and his staff, recommended that Officer Johnson be commended or honored in some way in

poration and who had expressed to her that "it was a good place to work."

Officer Johnson attributes her success to the fact that she loves working with people, and the fact that the Extended Care Facility with its many senior residents gives her the opportunity to do just that.

An avid reader, she reads at least three books a week on any subject. She also enjoys singing gospel music in her church.

Congratulations to Officer Johnson



Director of Operations Dorothy Douge extends congratulations to newly promoted Sergeant James Hubbard as New Community Security Director Jim DuBose looks on.

Black History Notes

BENJAMIN BANNEKER (1731-1806)

INVENTOR, MATHEMATICIAN, ALMANAC-WRITER,
AMERICA'S FIRST BLACK SCIENTIST

— Researched by James E. DuBose —

Benjamin Banneker's mechanical inventiveness led him in 1761, to construct what was probably the first clock made in America — a wooden "striking" clock so accurate that it kept perfect time and struck each hour unfaillingly for more than twenty years.

Born in Elliot, Maryland, of a free mother and slave father, who ultimately purchased his own freedom, Banneker himself was considered free, and thus was able to attend an integrated private school, where he secured the equivalent of an eighth-grade education.

His aptitude in mathematics and knowledge of astronomy enabled him to predict the solar eclipse of 1789. Within a few years, he began publishing an almanac which contained tide tables, data on future eclipses, and listed useful medicinal

products and formulas.

This almanac was the first written by a black American, and appeared annually for more than a decade.

Banneker's major reputation, however, stems from his service as a surveyor on the six-man team which helped lay out the blueprint for Washington, D.C.. When the chairman of the committee, Major L'Enfant, an aide to General George Washington during the Revolutionary War, abruptly resigned and returned to France with his plans, Banneker's precise memory enabled him to reproduce them in their entirety. Thus, Banneker became the first African American presidential appointment in 1791, when President George Washington, on advice from Thomas Jefferson, asked him to help survey the city of Washington.

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by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

Youth On The Move

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There are a lot of dramatic opportunities awaiting each youth who wants something to do, instead of the same everyday old habit routines.

Come join in and have some fun, learn new ideals, increase your knowledge and education. Most of all **gain new experiences.**

Fall in step with the crowd who wants the right life.

Test your skills — seek your identi-

ty! Recognize your talent. Search out your future goals.

Here are the exciting events taking place:

- drill team
- double dutch
- cooking class
- basketball
- volleyball
- track
- gymnastics
- open rap (communication)
- exercise classes
- dance classes
- youth councils
- and much, much more.

Yolanda Curry

Foodplay Provides Nutrition Education

The Community Food Bank of New Jersey, in conjunction with the Newark Boys' and Girls' Clubs, presented "Foodplay" a nutrition education performance combining theatre, juggling, puppets, music and audience participation to help kids sharpen their consumer skills and learn how to "eat for the health of it."

Foodplay was presented at the Central Ward Boys' and Girls' Club on Tuesday, September 20, 1988. Atten-

ding the play was Donna Cohen Ross, Nutritionist for the Community Food Bank of New Jersey, as well as staff and participants of the Newark Boys' and Girls' Club and members of the New Community After-School Program for youth which won an honorable mention award for their nutrition education program during Child Health Month last May.

Some 200 children attended the play.



FOODPLAY was an enjoyable as well as educational experience for the 200 children who attended.

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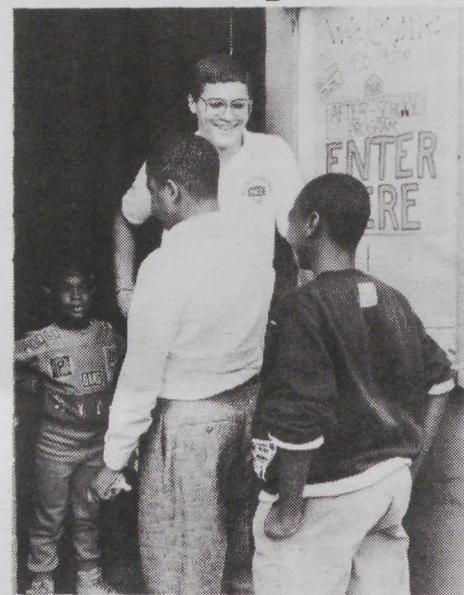
Jesuit Volunteer For The Youth Department

Scott Robert Santarosa, a Jesuit Volunteer from the Jesuit Volunteer Corps East (JVC) has joined the Social Services Youth Department volunteering as the Coordinator of the After School Program at the Bruce Street Site.

Scott has traveled quite a distance to be with us as he is from Sacramento, California where his parents Carol and Eddilio, his older sister Lisa (23), sister, Mary (10) and brother, Michael (7) still reside. He is a 1988 Civil Engineering major graduate from Santa Clara University (SCU) in Santa Clara, California. SCU is a Roman Catholic institution headed by Jesuit priests. He became a JVC volunteer because he felt a strong need to put volunteerism "on the front burner" as he had in the past volunteered whenever he could but wanted to offer his services and talents on a full-time basis. In addition, the spiritual dimension of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps is quite appealing and he hopes it and his experiences with NCC will assist in guiding him toward a decision concerning his future career goals.

Scott is a multi-talented young man, an outstanding scholarly student with the academic training to become a civil engineer. He is also gifted in music (able to teach most percussion instruments) and plays the piano and drums.

Our new After School Coordinator selected New Community as he felt it demonstrated its concern for the



Jesuit Volunteer Scott Santarosa welcomes eager participants to the After-School Program.

people of Newark with all of its accomplishments. He was pleased also that the After School Program would provide him with the opportunity to tutor children as well as to assist them with recreational activities.

Scott found that NCC is much larger than he thought...the program scope as well as physically. He is very impressed with NCC and is enthusiastic about his new responsibilities.

Scott we are happy you've chosen to serve your year with us and wish you luck. We welcome you to the NCC network.

Cooking Class Message

The Cooking Class has opened the kitchen doors for their old friends and newcomers.

The first day of orientation began on Monday, September 19, 1988.

The main focus will be on how to build more varied and healthier eating habits.

We also look upon the balance of a good nutritional meal. (It's not what you eat, it's how well you eat keeping a proper balance and choosing what is best to eat.)

So, whatever your age happens to be, come on over anyway and join the crew. What you may know about a good balanced meal can also be shared with others too. Be a guest or a guest speaker; share your secret recipes with all of us. Our main interest is providing a nutritious meal for the health and safety of all.

All Cooking Classes will be held on Mondays at 220 Bruce Street in the Recreation Room, at 6:00 p.m.

Yolanda Curry

Sprucing Up Bruce Street



Craig McKenith enjoys one of the lovely gardens at NC Manor Families.

The Seventh Story: We've Come This Far By Faith

On Friday evening, September 16, 1988, N.C. Gardens Residence at South Orange and Morris Avenues was the scene of a gala Seventh Anniversary Party.

The celebration began with a prayer by Mrs. Ruth Green — a fitting opening for an evening with the theme "We've Come This Far By Faith."

Mrs. Mary Bell welcomed the group, already feeling happily at home. Afterwards, Sr. Anastasia Hearne, Director of the N.C. Social Services Department, and Social Services Provider for Gardens Seniors, dedicated a brand new piano purchased with funds raised by the 265 Club. All the other residents were surprised and happy about this welcome addition to the social and cultural life of the building.

Guests of honor at the Seventh Anniversary Party were the most senior of the Gardens Seniors residents. The revelers happily acknowledged Ms.

Pauline Best for her 90 years, then Ms. Ola Chapman, Ms. Leslie Cherry, Ms. Leola Jarrett, Mr. Lonnie Milton, Ms. Arrie Myers, Ms. Edna Randolph, Ms. Mary Shipman, Ms. Druecilla Spingler, Mr. Fred Thomas, Mr. Joseph Thomas, and Ms. Sarah White, all of whom are over 80.

Before dinner, Mrs. Lemira Reese shared some of her reflections on the history of Gardens Seniors, hopes for its future, and good wishes for the residents. She expressed the wish to be invited back to every Anniversary Celebration of this building and its people whom she loves so much.

After a 265's characteristic delicious and abundant meal, featuring each resident's specialty, Dee Jary Larry kept the group jumping far into the night.

Ms. Connie Francis, site manager of NC Gardens, Mrs. Dorothy Douge, NCC's new Director of Operations, and Madge Wilson, Administrative

Assistant were on hand to offer their support and good wishes.

Everyone agreed that it was a lovely evening. It will be difficult to create a bigger and better celebration for the Eighth Anniversary.

Arriving too late for the Seventh Anniversary Party was a luxurious new carpet which gives the Gardens Community Room a gorgeous new look. This is still another testimony to the fund raising prowess of the 265 Club, and a wonderful example of how much can be accomplished when people work together. It is great to have this vital and happy group of residents as part of the New Community family.



NC Gardens Senior recently celebrated their 7th anniversary. They enjoyed some wonderful moments filled with good friends, food and appreciation.

History On The March

The Civil Rights March on Washington led by the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. occurred 25 years ago. Much has been accomplished during these 25 years but there remains much more to be realized such as equal education for the poor, affordable housing and employment for the unemployed and underemployed.

To highlight the fact that the civil rights struggle is still in motion, particularly during this election year, an Anniversary March on Washington, D.C. was held on August 27, 1988. New Community Corporation participated in this momentous occasion and offered free transportation to its residents. Among the residents who attended were Olivia Perry, Marion Simpson, Rosa Wyatt, Edna Gillians, Cassie Tucker, Arthur Libcomb, Lillian Boyd, Ida Fletcher, James Simmons, Barbara Holliman, Wendele Douglas and Delores Johnson who accompanied this lively group from our senior buildings.

The huge crowd of people cheered on the dynamic prominent speakers such as the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Coretta Scott King, Andrew Young and Michael Dukakis. Ms. Johnson of (225 Hunterdon Street) stated that it was a wonderful experience and she was made more aware of how far

Blacks have come in the past 25 years and the continuing need for people to become involved. She stated that the dream still lives on and a lot still has to be done with regard to equal opportunity.

Mrs. Rosa Wyatt of NC Associates Seniors stated that the speeches were really moving and feels strongly that African Americans should become more unified. She did not attend the March 25 years ago and was happy to be a part of history this time. She stated that she was born and reared in Atlanta, Georgia, and was a member of Rev. Martin Luther King Sr.'s church. King had ordained her brother, the late Rev. E.D. Dorsey. Mrs. Wyatt felt that African Americans have power in the vote and should exercise this right.

Cassie Tucker of NC Commons Seniors stated that in her lifetime she has seen much progress in the civil rights issues, but as many of the speakers at this anniversary march stated...we still need improvement. She hopes that people will vote for the candidate offering the most for civil rights.

The Dream should not be deferred it must go on!

Mowbrey I. McKinley

Home Friends Have 4th Anniversary



Over forty Home Friends I and II celebrated their 4th anniversary with a special luncheon at The Priory Restaurant recently.

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St. Rose School Enrollment Reaches 317

The 1988-89 enrollment at St. Rose of Lima has increased to 317 students from the 1987-88 enrollment of 235 students. The school staff now numbers eight classroom teachers, two transitional classroom teachers for grades 1-2 and 3-4, a religion coordinator, a parent coordinator, a consultant and a teacher aide for the gifted and talented students, and two teachers for the performing arts of music and dance. The increase in total registration may well be attributed to the good news spreading of the school's fine reputation. Saint Rose is justifiably proud of its great teachers, positive discipline, and new academic and enrichment programs.

The Open Court Reading Program begun in the primary grades now moves to the intermediate grade level. A new experience for our younger students began this year as the teachers are departmentalizing their subject areas. The students will now be instructed in the teacher's chosen area of expertise for grades 1 through 8.

Large numbers of today's youth are very worried about an uncertain future. They have been influenced by a world in which human values are in chaos; the result is that these young people are very much afraid when they think about the appalling problems in the world: the threat of nuclear annihilation, vast unemployment, the high number of marriages that end in separation or divorce, widespread poverty, etc. Their worry and insecurity become an almost irresistible urge to focus in on themselves, and this can lead to violence when young people are



together — a violence that is not always limited to words.

Saint Rose of Lima School has begun a new program to give students the skills and creative approaches for non-violent solutions. There will be **Play Therapy** for grades K - 1 and 2 to enable children to better express themselves in creative, non-violent ways. For grades 3 - 4 - 5 there is a **Creative Conflict Program** to help children begin to prevent/solve problems. Grades 6, 7, 8 will focus on teenage problems in the **Creative Approaches to Living and Problem Solving Program**.

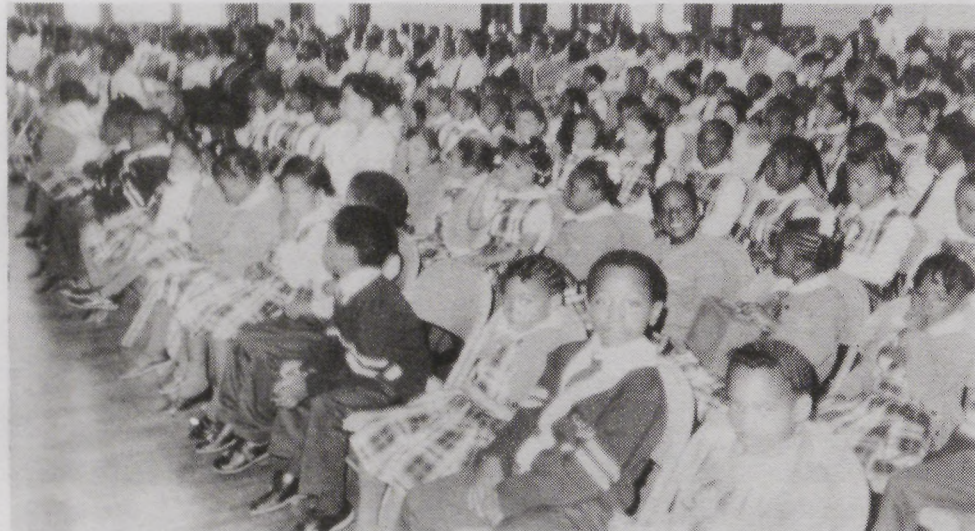
Other New Programs

The **Gifted and Talented Program** is designed to further develop and fine-tune the abilities of the brighter students from all grades.

An after-school option for students from all classes is the **Dance Program**.

All programs for St. Rose School both within and outside the school day are in keeping with the school philosophy which states, in part "...attention given to the unique potential of the individual..."

The future awaits them.



An auditorium filled with students is a wonderful sign of the increased enrollment!



Young students stretch their arms and minds as they continue their education at St. Rose of Lima School.

St. Rose Of Lima Student Council Takes Oath Of Office

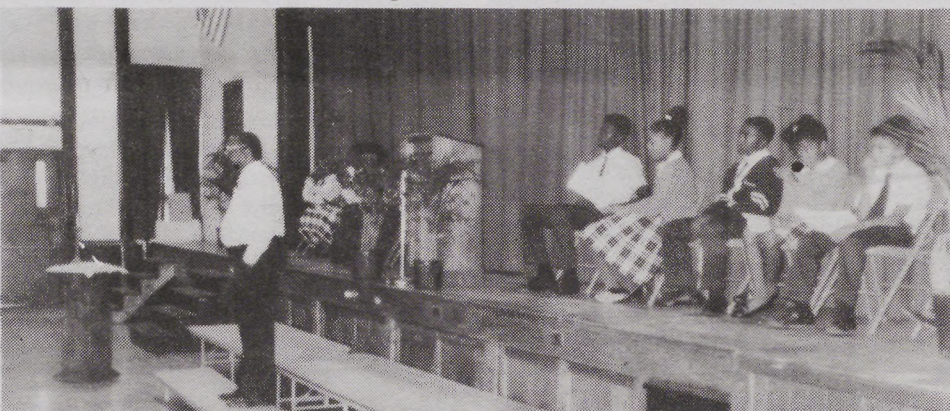
Saint Rose of Lima School, had its first Student Council Inauguration Ceremony on Friday, September 9, 1988.

Twelve members of the Student Council were introduced by the moderator, Sister Clare Terrance, O.S.P. The members are: Ahmad Mickens, President; Frances Smith, Vice-President; Nadirah Brown, Secretary; Dale Ellis, Treasurer; Carl Nemorin, Commissioner of Religious

fulfilling the office for which they were chosen.

Each officer of the Student Council then told the students what his/her own obligations were as the head of his/her particular office.

Mr. Wilson, the Principal, then presented each officer with a lighted candle which was to represent his/her leadership role and his/her willingness to work as a team for the betterment of St. Rose of Lima School.



Mr. Arthur Wilson, Principal, invites the children to another year of learning and care at St. Rose as members of the Student Council look on.

Affairs; and Deborah Bell, Commissioner of Ecology. The Commissioners at Large who represent their grades were: Samad Mickens, Grade 8; Yolanda Rudolph, Grade 7; Therron Works, Grade 6; Bashira Brown, Grade 5; Donald Stalks, Grade 4; Delores Ramos, Transitional Intermediate.

The moderator reminded the student body that they had elected these students last May to represent them at St. Rose of Lima School, and the Student Council representatives, that they have a great responsibility in

They then took the oath of office:

I, name of St. Rose of Lima School, as a member of the Student Council, promise to fulfill the responsibilities of my office to the best of my ability. I will strive to promote school spirit and good citizenship among my fellow students. May this light I hold be a symbol of the light of my own life and may it shine to give glory to God and as an example to my fellow students.

Each officer was also presented with the National Organization of Student Councils' pin.

Teaching Values To Your Children

The Spiritual and Religious Committee of the St. Rose of Lima Home-School Association is sponsoring a monthly series of **Teaching Values to Your Children**. The first of the series began on Thursday, September 22, 1988 at 7:00 p.m.

It began with the reading of Scripture from St. Matthew on the Sower of the Seed. This passage is a reminder to parents that they must plant the good seeds of Christian values in their children from the time they are born.

A presentation of a filmstrip entitled **Give a Star, Share a Value** was seen. This film reminded the parents that they are the first teachers of their children. So often parents think that all teaching belongs in school.

Those early years should find parents and other adults preparing the soil and planting the seeds of Christian values.

After the film those present spent the time reflecting on their childhood and teen years and discussing the ways in which Christian values were taught to them.

The evening ended with a prayer service. Each parent was then given a work sheet on who God is in their lives. It was meant to be used for family discussion at mealtime.

The next of the series will take place on Thursday evening, October 20, 1988 at 6:00 p.m. The change of time was suggested by those who attended the session.

Sister Clare Terrance, O.S.P.

Hunterdon Parents Deserve Thanks

It's almost time for residents at 225 Hunterdon Street to say "so long for now" Summer of '88, and "hello" Fall of '88. It has been a great summer including once again such fun events as adventurous trips to the Bronx Zoo and Wild West City. The children were ecstatic and full of joy.

The trips were organized by the Tenants' Association at 225 Hunterdon Street.

Although we didn't have our daily lunch for all of our children as we usually do, we are prayerful and

hopeful for next year.

The Tenants' Association would like to thank the parents of the children who participated and also those who wanted to but were unable to. We extend our thanks also to you jointly for your cooperation.

Let's give a moment of thanks to God for keeping us safe in our Community and in our homes, as well as away from our homes during the Summer vacation.

Delores Johnson
Publicity Chairperson